1	2	3	4	5	6	7
RRL (BP)	1	0	0	0	0	0
RRL (j)	1	0	0	0	48	1
RRL (JT)	0	2	1	4	4	0
RRL (T)	20	2	23	2	20	2
TOTAL	199	35	452	56	580	86

Toronto meet on Bio-tech

430. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that at the recently held Annual Global Bio-tech Meet in Toronto a recommendation was made that investors should focus on Red-bio-tech, *i.e.*, research on human genes, as against Green Bio-tech (Agriculture); and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI BACHI SINGH RAWAT): (a) and (b) In the recently held Annual Global Bio-Tech Meet in Toronto, equal emphasis was given to the research and product development related to human health, environment and agriculture. In fact, the them of this years conference was "Life Sciences" focusing on new knowledged, new process & new products coming out of life sciences. The congregation acknowledged the increase in approvals of bio-technology based medicine, vaccines and breakthrough in medications for leukemia, congestive heart failure, HIV infection, pulmonary arterial, hypertension and life-threatening sepsis. However, it was realized that bio-technology will play a major role in cleanner manufacturing process, helping sustainable development and would result in developing nutritionally enhanced crops to provide more and better nutrition to a hungry world.

Developing Bio-tech Industry

431. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA: Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India is amongst the leading emerging forces in the bio-tech world, with the potential to become a leading player in the Asia-Pacific region;